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Go to Chicago at THE COURIER'S expense. Procure twenty-five new yearly subscribers, and we will pay your way to the world's fair there and back.

It is generally the banks that are run by "financiers" that fail. Institutions conducted by ordinary plug bankers appear to be having no trouble.

Some people have wondered what Ross L. Hammond's middle initial stands for. THE COURIER has it direct from Mr. Hammond himself that the L is for Laureate.

Up to date thirty-seven thousand, six hundred and seventeen people in this city have announced their intention to visit the world's fair "between the middle and the last of June."

SOME republicans who happen to be office holders are exhibiting a very enthusiastic zeal for civil service reform. Civil service reform, like most other reforms, finds its warmest advocates in those who have axes to grind.

A woman seldom marries her ideal—*Albany Telegram*.

And it's probably a good thing. A woman's ideal is very often an ephemeral bow knot of peachblow complexion, a pretty mustache and tailor made clothes. Such things are much better adapted for ideals than for husbands.

THE management of the world's fair made a grave mistake in permitting any private exhibitions inside the gates. The one charge of 50 cents should carry with it admission to every thing in the grounds. For some years past there has been general admiration for Chicago pluck and enterprise. There is danger that the world's fair may result in a general disgust for Chicago's hogghishness.

IF THERE is any attorney in the state who has a larger sized or more fully developed appreciation of a fat fee than Mr. W. L. Greene, we have never heard of him. Mr. Greene is a patriot by profession; incidentally he is a lawyer. In his legal meanderings he has more often had a stone for a pillow than a scented cushion, and he has traveled over many rocks. Consequently when he struck it rich in the impeachment case, he lost himself in a wild delirium. If he lives to be a very old man Mr. Greene will never have a like experience and he should not be too sharply criticised for his recent celebration.

ONE of the worst things about the average Sunday newspaper is the alarmingly large amount of space preempted by Ella Wheeler Wilcox, who writes a variety of nonsense that would not have been tolerated a few years ago. It is only since publications like the *Ladies Home Journal* have been boomed into popularity that the distilled essence of nothingness, such as Mrs. Wilcox writes for women, has been placed before the public. And it is encouraging to note that there are signs of a reaction. Many of the spirited women of to-day are outspoken in their contempt for the compound of gush and silliness turned out by Ella Wheeler Wilcox and other writers who waste good paper and ink on articles for the "women's department" of the daily newspapers.

THE PLATTSBROUGH *Journal* says, "there is a constant stream of flattery issuing from the monopoly republican press these days for Secretary Morton who seems to be their ideal of a democrat," and adds: "To a man more suspicious this would naturally set him thinking that there might be something out of sorts in his course, but Mr. Morton is as unsuspecting as a child, and he goes right on feeling as good over it as if it was democrats instead of republicans that were lauding him to the skies." The *Journal* evidently has an attack of the razzle-dazzle. A republican admires a straight-out democrat, just the same as a democrat admires a consistent republican, and republicans admire and respect J. Sterling Morton because he does not truckle to them and to the independents as many of his fellow democrats have done and are doing. Mr. Morton remained a true democrat

when it cost something to be a true democrat, and now in the department of agriculture he has developed a proficiency in decapitating republicans that is only second to that of Assistant Postmaster General Maxwell. And republicans admire him for his independence. They like him because he is exactly what he pretends to be.

"Lincoln business interests demanded that the saloons should be open until midnight," or nearly midnight, and the excise board acceded to the demand. One of the most curious alleged reasons for the demand for a later hour was that it is not "metropolitan" to close the saloons at 10:30. Now liquid refreshments will be publicly dispensed until 11:30, and Lincoln has taken a long step in the direction of "metropolitanism." This desire to be "metropolitan" is made to do a man's service. In fact it is very much overworked. All kind of Sunday amusements are wanted because Sunday amusements are "metropolitan," the efforts of Mayor Weir, early in his first administration, to lessen the social evil, were deprecated because a city without licensed places of iniquity is not "metropolitan." A great many people who may perhaps be called old fogies would rather see Lincoln remain simply a quiet city, than become thoroughly "metropolitan." In any event there is plenty of time to put on metropolitan frills, Lincoln doesn't claim to be a metropolis yet, and there seems to be no good reason why Chicago morals should be adjusted to an unambitious town like Lincoln.

MUSICAL CRITICISM has reached a high point in this city. It has passed beyond the musician's execution, and has found lodgment in his legs and hair. Walter Damrosch's New York Symphony Orchestra made a deep impression on the musical specialists of the *News* and *Call*. The day after the concert both papers contained editorial notices of the celebrated director and passing by the qualities usually dwelt upon by less experienced critics, the *News* revels in delight over the fact that Mr. Damrosch "has sense enough to wear his hair as ordinary men," while the *Call*'s artistic soul is stirred to the depths by a contemplation of the young musician's legs. The *Call* says: "Words cannot measure the difficulty which an aesthetic audience would have in appreciating an orchestra performance of the divine compositions of Beethoven and Wagner if they had before their eyes at the same time a director with bowed legs and pigeon toes." Mr. Damrosch will doubtless long cherish the recollection of the fact that his music, his legs, and his hair being weighed in the balance before a Lincoln audience, were declared strictly au fait by the newspaper critics, particular stress being laid on the hair and the legs.

JUST now the newspapers of this country are being run on the baking powder plan—only the plan is amplified until one is fairly dazzled by the munificence of philanthropic publishers. The purchaser of a newspaper today is liable to receive as a gift any thing from a paper covered novel to a deed to a quarter section of the moon. Pianos, watches, life insurance policies and what not, are scattered around with bewildering liberality, and if this sort of thing continues there will soon be no necessity for stores. If a beef-steak is wanted, or a paper of pins, or a gin fizz, a messenger will be sent to the nearest newspaper office for a coupon. Perhaps, also, medical aid will be furnished by means of coupons, and coupons may be issued passing the bearer by St. Peter. In this city the *State Journal* and *News* are trying to see which can do the most for the dear people, and in their eagerness there is danger that they may give themselves away, if they have not already done so. The average newspaper is worth a good deal more than the price paid for it, and there is no more reason why a newspaper publisher should go into the gift business than there would be for a bank to present its depositors with diamond pins or royal Bengal tigers.

THE ATTENDANCE at the world's fair has been very unsatisfactory thus far. If our own state fair should ever do as poor business Secretary Furnas would have seven different kinds of vertigo. There are several reasons for the small attendance; there are three in particular. One is that through bad management the fair is not nearly completed, and will probably not be completed until July 1. People are not fond of paying good money to witness the unpacking of boxes and packages. Another reason is that the management of the fair has to some extent quivered the great exhibition by the quarreling that has been going on almost incessantly for months. One of the best ways to kill an undertaking like the world's fair is to get up a series of rows, and the fair managers have manifested marked zeal in this respect—and the fair has only begun. The third and perhaps the principal reason why the people have kept away from Chicago may be found in the misguided policy of the railroad companies. The fair cannot be a success unless the railway companies make better rates, and the sooner they concede to the popular demand the better it will be

for them. At the Centennial exhibition the transportation companies waited until late in the season before making low rates, and although there was a tremendous rush, it was impossible to make up for the months of poor business. The people of Nebraska are waiting for a \$10 or \$15 rate, and unless they get it a great many of them will stay at home.

It seems that the run on the Nebraska Savings bank was precipitated to a great extent by one or two excitable school teachers who possess a maximum amount of zeal and a minimum of discretion. There was utterly no occasion for a scare. The deposit of money belonging to school children is protected by a bond for nearly ten times the amount of the deposit, and even if the bank had gone up higher than Gildero's kite, not a cent of the school children's money would have been lost. Anent the panicky feeling which exists in all parts of the country just now, the responsibility is largely with the people. If there is a panic it will be brought on by alarmists and people who get unduly excited with little or no provocation. In all the recent flurry not a single bank has failed that has done a strictly legitimate banking business. With scarcely an exception they have only been in business three or four years, and they were operated on a capital composed of a little money and a great deal of wind. The banks that have failed have been bluffs for the private manipulations of men like Zimri Diggins and C. W. Mosher. Concerns that are doing a legitimate business are as safe to-day as they ever were, and as long as there is a reasonable degree of public confidence there is not the slightest possible danger. Business is good the country over and there ought not to be any occasion for alarm. If the people who do business with banks remain cool there will be no serious trouble. The danger is that the fools who cry fire in a theatre have their counterparts in the business world, and too many people are ready to run at a word. The banks of Lincoln are firmly established, and as every one of them is now doing business on a safe and conservative basis, there is absolutely no danger to be apprehended in this city.

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